

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A wrench comprising:

a box end connected to an end of a handle and having a toothed inner periphery, an annular flange extending from a first side of a periphery

5 of the box end, an inner diameter of the annular flange being larger than a maximum inner diameter of the toothed inner periphery of the box end, and

a compressible member engaged with a second side of the periphery of the box end and a part of the compressible member located in a space enclosed by the toothed inner periphery.

10 2. The wrench as claimed in claim 1, wherein the compressible member has an outward flange which is engaged with an annular groove defined in an inner periphery of the second side of the box end.

3. The wrench as claimed in claim 1, wherein a gap is defined between an outer periphery of the compressible member and the toothed inner periphery of the box end when the compressible member is not compressed.

4. The wrench as claimed in claim 1, wherein the compressible member includes a hollow interior.

5. The wrench as claimed in claim 1, wherein the compressible member includes a plurality of parallel ridges and grooves in an outer periphery thereof and the ridges and grooves are oriented perpendicularly to an axis of the box end.

6. The wrench as claimed in claim 1, wherein the annular flange includes a smooth inner periphery.